

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

ELG, a minor child by next friend,
LATOREYA TILL,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case Number 24-12195

Honorable David M. Lawson

KENNETH KING, UNIVERSAL PROTECTION
SERVICES, JOHN DOE COURT OFFICER,
and JANE DOE COURT OFFICER,

Defendants.

ORDER DIRECTING DEFENDANTS TO ANSWER THE COMPLAINT

On September 30, 2024, defendants Universal Protection Services and Jane Roe Court Officer filed a motion to dismiss the complaint under Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (ECF No. 11). The motion to dismiss will be set for a hearing in due course. Rule 12(a)(4) authorizes the Court to set a time for serving an answer when a motion has been served under Rule 12. *Hill v. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan*, 237 F.R.D. 613, 617 (E.D. Mich. 2006) (“[T]his Court recognizes that Rule 12(a)(4) also provides that a court may order an answer to be filed at a time *other than* after the motion to dismiss has been denied or the court has postponed consideration of the motion.”) (citing Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(4)). The Court believes that having the defendants’ answer filed before the motion to dismiss is decided will advance the progress of the litigation.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** defendants Universal Protection Services and Jane Roe Court Officer must file their answer to the complaint **on or before October 30, 2024**.

s/David M. Lawson
DAVID M. LAWSON
United States District Judge

Dated: October 9, 2024